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SUBCOMMITTEE ON EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

FDD EXPLOITATION PROGRAM FOR THE USSR

The following adjustments to the current program are recommended as a result of liaison with, and comment from, the substantive consumers during the course of program reporting. Allocation of the workload for designated coverage is based upon the full manpower available to FDD for work on the USSR except for the portional reservation to support specific requests.

I. POLITICAL

A. USSR Territorial-Administrative Changes: No change

B. Organization and Functions of Ministries and other Central Organs of the USSR Government: No change

The first semiannual report, planned for June 1955, to be preceded by reports on individual ministries on which there have been no previous reports, and by supplements to previous ministry reports to bring them up to date. /The manpower necessary for this coverage was underestimated originally. It can be accomplished by eliminating II.B. below./

C. Addition: An annual index of Vedomosti (the Soviet official gazette of laws and decrees.)

II. SOCIOLOGICAL

A. Education: Elimination of detailed coverage of primary and secondary education (reporting only articles of major significance on them) and corresponding expansion of the coverage of higher (especially scientific) education.

B. Crime in the USSR: Discontinue as scheduled report. Reasonable coverage is provided by JPRS. The general subject seems to be well known, therefore the value of the report does not seem to be worth the labor.

III. BIOGRAPHICAL

No change

IV. MILITARY

No change, except to extend the coverage to Sovetskiy Flot.

V. ECONOMIC

A. Republic budgets: No change, except to add information on successes and failures in carrying out previous year's budgets, as reported in addresses of ministers of finance. (See C and D)

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B. Domestic and foreign trade: Omit local details on former, concentrating on all-Union and republic data. Use time saved for A.

C. Labor and manpower: Omit local details, concentrating on all-Union, republic, and major area data. Use time saved for A.

D. Republic plan fulfillment: No change

E. Extractive industry: No change

F. Agriculture and forestry: No change

G. Industrial equipment: No change

H. Transportation and Telecommunications: No change

I. Consumer goods: No change

J. Electric power: No change

K. Construction and construction materials. Addition: Industrial and housing construction; production and specifications of materials. May be a single report, or two separate reports. This can be added because the T/O is nearing full strength.

There appears to be considerable duplication of FDD's work in exploitation of water transport journals by ONI, Naval Attaché, Moscow, and ORR. Possibly FDD's work in this field should be discontinued or confined to strictly defined limits, in which case it is proposed that all or most of one man's time could be devoted instead to geographic information. (VI.A. or B. in the following section)

Possible Additions to the Program

The following categories cover subject matter for which there is an expressed need on the part of consumers for continuous reporting and on information which is known to exist in documentary sources. Any one item can only be covered if a corresponding effort in the established program is discontinued.

I. POLITICAL

A. A systematic coverage of USSR periodicals and books to supplement reports by the Embassy, JPRS, Current Digest of the Soviet Press and other agencies. To be published irregularly as bibliographic notes, summaries, or condensed, partial or full translations, as appropriate.

These sources are not now being covered adequately by any single agency or combination of agencies.

B. Regular coverage of selected emigre publications, such as those of the Institute for the Study of the History and Culture of the USSR (Munich) and the newspapers Posev (Munich) and Vozrozhdeniye (Paris).

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II. SOCIOLOGICAL

A. Religious and anti-religious activities

Organized religion (Orthodox, Moslem and others) and its leaders in relation to the government, the party and Soviet society.

B. Non-Slavic minorities

Sociological information, particularly on the peoples of Central Asia and the Caucasus, indicating degree of, or resistance to, Sovietization.

III. BIOGRAPHICAL

A. Extension of source coverage to major political journals, scientific journals and specialized newspapers such as Literaturnaya Gazeta and Sovetskaya Kultura. /Present work is confined to the regular central and provincial newspapers./

B. Extension of categories of personalities covered, particularly to meet BR/CIA requirements for scientific and economic personalities, notably for scientists, authors of articles and others, who are not included in the present categories of official positions, and the top managerial and technical personnel of industrial plants.

IV. MILITARY

A. Extension of source coverage: To Vestnik Vozhdushnogo Flota, not now regularly received but understood to be available, and other military publications irregularly received, as well as Bol'shaya Sovetskaya Entsiklopediya.

B. Increase in depth of coverage: More on tactics and doctrine; fuller exploitation of important articles.

V. ECONOMIC

A. Progress on key commodities: Follow through the years the progress on such key commodities as iron and steel, coal, petroleum, etc. First report would require going back through previous years, and establishing base year for figures.

B. Efficiency of utilization of resources. There is much discussion by Soviet economists of the coefficient of utilization.

C. Agricultural labor productivity.

D. Analysis of Soviet economic and technical literature: A bibliographic listing and critical description of important Soviet monographs.

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VI. GEOGRAPHIC

A. The Arctic: Soviet research; other activities and installations; the Northern Sea Route.

B. Special regions (of current intelligence interest, such as reported atomic energy centers, missile launching sites, selected border regions, etc.)

C. Detailed information on urban developments: Structures and facilities, with locations; new streets, changes in names, etc.

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